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PATENT APPLICATION

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In re application of

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For: A METHOD OF OPTIMIZING SPEECH QUALITY IN A MOBILE RADIO SYSTEM

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 29, 2005, please consider the following remarks.

REMARKS

Claims 1-23 are all the claims pending in the application.

The Examiner maintained the rejections of claims 1, 11, 21, and 22 as being anticipated by Yasuda ("Network Functions for the Application of Multi-rate Speech Coding in Digital Cellular Systems"), hereinafter "Yasuda." The Examiner further alleges that claims 2-10, 12-20, and 23 are obvious over Yasuda. Applicant respectfully traverses these rejections in view of the following comments.

For example, independent claim 1 recites: "if said first coding mode is not compatible with said tandem free operation mode, changing said first coding mode to a second coding mode